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August 17, 1970

Dr. Robert Britton
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Dear Dr. Britton:

President Nixon has asked that I reply to your telegram of August 9, requesting that he take immediate action to avenge the murder of Daniel Mitrione.

The President's immediate concern is to ensure the safe return of Dr. Claude Fly, an American now being held by kidnappers in Uruguay. Through our Ambassador in that country, the President has stressed to the Uruguayan Government that every feasible and practicable action be considered and pursued to facilitate Dr. Fly's release from the terrorists. President Nixon has received assurances from Uruguayan President Pacheco that he is determined to use all means at his disposal to bring about Dr. Fly's safe return to his family.

The United States does not seek vengeance in Uruguay. Any act of vengeance would serve only to increase the danger of other Americans in Uruguay. However, we appreciate and fully support the efforts of Uruguayan authorities who are doing their utmost to bring the kidnappers and murderers before the bar of justice.

Sincerely yours,

Irving G. Tragen
Country Director for Argentine,
Paraguayan and Uruguayan Affairs

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